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REV. 5-93US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

ATTORNEYS DOCKET NUMBER

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**P06,0034**

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

**10/550,933**INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
**PCT/EP2004/003919**INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
**14 April 2004**PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
**14 April 2003**

TITLE OF INVENTION

**METHOD FOR HANDLING AN ENDLESS BELT FOR AN ELECTROPHOTOGRAPHIC PRINTER, AND A STORAGE UNIT  
HAVING A RETAINING DEVICE FOR THIS ENDLESS BELT**

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☐ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☒ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay.
4. ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☐ A copy of International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☒ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). **EXECUTED DECLARATION**
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98; (**PTO 1449, Prior Art, Search Report**).
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.  
☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information:
  - a. ☒ **EXPRESS MAIL #EV 635787071 US dated August 23, 2006.**
  - b. ☐
  - c. ☐

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17. <input type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):</b> Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$900.00 (Includes National Stage, Search, and Examination Fees)				CALCULATIONS		PTO USE ONLY	
				ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =		\$130.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).				\$130.00			
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate				
Total Claims		0	X \$50.00	\$			
Independent Claims		0	X \$200.00	\$			
Multiple Dependent Claims			\$300.00 +				
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$130.00			
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)							
SUBTOTAL =				\$130.00			
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				+			
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$130.00			
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				+			
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$130.00			
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a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501519. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.
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04/14/2004	04/14/2003

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371 FORMALITIES LETTER



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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/28/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/28/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/28/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 09/28/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/28/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/28/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 09/28/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/28/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (371 Formalities Notice)

**CERTIFICATION OF MAILING**

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, **MAIL STOP PCT**, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

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Our Case No. P05,0334 (26970-0388)

Transmittal Form in Duplicate

Executed Declaration

Copy of Notice

Executed Assignment – Separate Envelope – Form 1595 - \$40.00

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Signature of person mailing application and fee

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